

The Village of Biscayne Park

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Commission Agenda Report

Commission Meeting Date: November 1, 2016

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Title / Subject: Water Quality Issues

Background:

Multiple residents have had issues relative to the water service provided by North Miami. The issues include discoloration of water, strong odor, and poor pressure. The frequency of these issues seems to be on the rise. The response from North Miami has varied. The majority of the time, North Miami has pointed to work being done on the system that temporarily causes the discoloration, strong odor and poor pressure. In multiple circumstances, the quality of the water was tested by North Miami after these events. In all cases, North Miami has indicated that the water is safe and that there are no risks. We have not independently verified the cause(s) of these issues and the risk, if any, to our residents. Additionally, as you know, we have not had a written agreement with North Miami for water service in many years. Despite attempts to negotiate such an agreement, which would address maintenance, repair and replacement of the infrastructure used to deliver water to the Village, the agreement has never been finalized and executed.

Fiscal / Budget Impact:

To be determined.

Recommendation:

I would like to discuss the possibility of having the Village conduct its own analysis of the water quality and potentially hire a professional to examine the overall condition of the infrastructure used to deliver water to the Village.